

## News Review

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## Beat The Rush

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.

## Volunteers Begin the 64th Year Publishing Greenbelt's Newspaper

Small, yes, amateurish — well, that's a matter of opinion. Old-fashioned — sure, if by that is meant dedication to facts, an avoidance of sensationalism and a certain concern for the feelings of our citizens in their times of trouble. Sometimes warmly supported and sometimes vehemently attacked, but always central to the life of the community. We're talking, of course, about the Greenbelt News Review, which is now beginning its 64th year of continuous publication.

The paper is unique — the longest running, all-volunteer, cooperative weekly newspaper in the United States — and has been featured in numerous books and television programs, as well as graduate theses and other student papers on Greenbelt, planned towns, and the cooperative movement. Some of these researchers have focused on the paper's four-year David-and-Goliath struggle against a \$2,000,000 libel suit in which the paper was finally vindicated by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1970. The News Review decision struck a blow for freedom of the press, and the case is still studied and quoted as a significant legal precedent.

In a town of many co-ops, the News Review is the next to the oldest.

Originally a letter-sized mimeographed publication consisting of 16 pages, then titled the Greenbelt Cooperator, the paper began publication on November 24, 1937 — six weeks after the first families had occupied their homes.

For those who have wondered how the paper gets out each week, the staff is largely volunteer (or, at least, minimally paid with member dividends) and, in the Greenbelt tradition, organized as a labor cooperative. The paper is unconnected with the city government, the other cooperatives in the city, or with Greenbelt Homes, Inc. The paper gratefully accepts support from any segment of the community — from the city in the form of advertising and in housing for its operation; the Co-op grocery and GHI in corporate ads; and from the citizens when the financial pinch gets too tight. However, it is essentially self-supporting.

The paper lives by its advertising revenues, which cover all formal operations.

### History

The early pioneers recognized

the immediate need for a news medium to keep people informed of local events and to provide a forum for the exchange of views. They laid down the principles that still guide the actions of the present News Review — a non-partisan, nonprofit cooperative endeavor, whose aims are to print the news accurately and fairly and to respect the Greenbelt "good neighbor" philosophy of life.

### Office Space

In January 1938 the federal government (which owned Greenbelt at that time) made space available at the town commercial center, free of cost, and also loaned much-needed furniture, typewriters (we still have some) and office equipment. The paper moved its office five times before coming to rest in the present quarters in the Community Center.

With the withdrawal of the federal government from town, Greenbelt Homes, Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary, Greenbelt Development Corporation, continued the federal policy of providing free office space for decades with the paper reimbursing the corporation for out-of-

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## Assisted Living Options Are Reviewed by Council

by Diane Oberg

Is there a need in Greenbelt for assisted living facilities or assistance-in-living services for seniors in their own homes? At a November 20 worksession with council, members of the city's Assisted Living Task Force discussed their recommendation that the city contract for a professional needs assessment regarding the assisted/assistance-in-living needs of senior citizens in Greenbelt. Council will consider this recommendation after staff has identified possible consultants, possibly at its December 18 regular meeting.

Assistance-in-living services are provided in the senior's own home and could include, for example, visits by home health aides, or assistance with cleaning or shopping. Assisted living entails a residential facility that provides some level of services to the residents, but generally falls short of that provided in a nursing home. Such facilities can range from small group homes to facilities with 50 beds or more. There are also "continuing life care facilities" that offer residents a range of options from independent living to assisted living to nursing home care. The committee's report in-

cludes a description of the various options along with the types of services offered and their advantages/disadvantages.

In an interim report issued earlier this year, the task force recommended that the city 1) hire a community resource advocate to provide information to residents on available resources, and 2) gather information for council on the present and future needs for assistance-in-living and assisted living services in Greenbelt. That recommendation was discussed during the budget review, but was not funded. The task force still supports hiring a community resource advocate. Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor Karen Haseley told council that there is such a wide range of options that it is very difficult to decide which is most appropriate to Greenbelt without knowing the projected needs of the city.

Councilmember Edward Putens laid out current realities. "I don't think an assisted living facility is in the picture at this time," he said. Assistance-in-living is already happening on an informal, neighbor-to-neighbor basis. He worried that many seniors in need of services may

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## Marquee on New Year T-shirt

by Christopher Cherry

To commemorate the restoration of the Greenbelt movie theater's marquee, the Greenbelt New Year Committee asked artist Anne Reeves Edgin to include the marquee in her design for the Greenbelt New Year 2001 collectible t-shirt. Edgin chose to use the marquee to proclaim the new year celebration, as if the party were a feature playing at the theater. Her design is doubly appropriate, because the theater is one of several venues for this year's celebration. Magician Eric Henning will present three shows of Victorian-era magic in the historic 500-seat theater. The Greenbelt Community Center, the Greenbelt Youth Center, and the Greenbelt Arts Center will also present entertainment throughout the evening, as Greenbelters celebrate the end of an eventful year and the beginning of a new millennium.

"The year 2000 saw the dedication of the restored Greenbelt Theater marquee, the restoration of the Mother and Child statue, and the renovation of Roosevelt Center. The Greenbelt New Year Committee thought it would be fitting to commemorate these events on a piece of wearable art," said committee member Patti Brothers. The Mother and Child statue by Lenore Thomas is featured prominently on the t-shirt.

Edgin, who lived in Greenbelt for 14 years, says she loves the city and is delighted to create artworks for the annual new year's

celebration. Last year's t-shirt, which featured her whimsical transformation of one of the Lenore Thomas friezes on the Community Center, quickly became a collector's item. "We expect the new t-shirt will sell like

hotcakes," said Brothers. "Everyone in Greenbelt is so proud of the theater, the statue, and the Center." The t-shirt is now on sale at the community center, along with tickets to Greenbelt New Year 2001.



Greenbelt New Year t-shirt emblem was designed by Anne Reeves Edgin.

## Finally a Decision — Pool Winner is 83 Degrees

by Maria Piazzola

Greenbelters attended the November 13 regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council to argue about the temperature of the indoor pool at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center. After much debate, council directed that the pool temperature be set at 83 degrees, a compromise that most listeners appeared to agree was appropriate.

Council has received various complaints and petitions about water temperature requesting temperatures ranging from 76-78 degrees, preferred by athletes, to 86-88 degrees, more comfortable for those using the pool for therapeutic purposes. With the new control module and compressor recently purchased for the pool, the temperature will remain more stable at whatever temperature is decided upon.

Dr. Adah Strobell of Lanham said that the National Arthritis Foundation recommends a minimum of 83 degrees, although 84 to 88 is more desirable, and that air temperature should be at least five degrees higher. She said that she and other seniors are "making a compromise on 83 degrees." Dr. Strobell recommended that a survey be distributed to all Greenbelt residents to determine what the majority would like to see as the set temperature.

George Rogala, Aquatic and Fitness Center supervisor, said that he did not receive the same

information when he contacted the National Arthritis Foundation. "I was told that it does not have a recommended temperature for air."

Rhea Cohen of Greendale Place said that water exercise classes are getting smaller, because of the low water temperature. "Classes that used to have 20 people now have about six," Cohen said. "This means that people are not being served and the city is not getting revenue." Cohen also said that a one-degree change in water temperature is comparable to a 12-degree change in air temperature.

Harvey Geller of Northway agreed that slight changes in water temperature are noticeable, but, unlike Cohen, he believes

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### What Goes On

Dec. 1-8. No City of Greenbelt meetings scheduled

Fri., Dec. 1, 7 p.m. Opening Ceremony and Holiday Tree Lighting, Municipal Building

Sat., Dec. 2, 7 a.m. - noon Community Breakfast with Santa, Greenbelt Fire Hall

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Holiday Art & Craft Fair, Community Center

Sun., Dec. 3, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Holiday Art & Craft Fair, Community Center



## Letters

### THANKS

On behalf of the Rippeon and Dobbin family, I would like to thank Eileen Peterson for helping us so much during the tragic time of my daughter's murder.

I would also like to thank all the wonderful residents of Greenbelt who have shown us so much support.

Sherri Rippeon

### GIVES Helps Neighbors

On Saturday morning, November 18, students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School joined several eighth grade students from St. Hugh's in a joint community service project. The beneficiaries were nine residents of Greenbelt who needed assistance with leaf raking and yard cleaning.

The morning began with a snack at Greenbelt Community Center after which two vans carried the leaf rakers to various yards, where everyone worked diligently until lunch time. The hungry workers enjoyed pizza and drinks at the office of Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated, then the remaining clean-ups continued. All in all nine yards were cleaner by the stopping time of 3:30 p.m.

This is the second year GIVES has participated in a community service credits project. The project represents the philosophy of Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Services which is to match the needs of the frail, disabled and the elderly with the desire of healthy persons of all ages to meet those needs and to help students reach the community service credits required for graduation.

### Volunteers Needed By World Heritage

World Heritage, a non-profit student exchange program, is seeking local area representatives to volunteer time and skills to provide students from several countries including Germany, France, Spain, Brazil, Thailand, Japan, Mexico, and the former Soviet Union countries with local program support.

Local representatives plan an annual student orientation, meet with local high schools, provide support counseling for participants, screen potential host families, and meet with the exchange students on a monthly basis. Representatives also attend an annual training workshop and report to the regional coordinator. Participants should enjoy fostering new international friendships, be community minded, and enjoy working with teenagers and adults. Local representatives spend an average of 2 - 4 hours a month with the exchange students. Time and expenses are reimbursed by the organization.

Anyone interested in becoming involved in the World Heritage International Student Exchange Program or who would like to find out about hosting an exchange student may call Karen Ehrhardt at 864-576-2210 or at 1-800-785-9040.

### THANKS

On behalf of the entire Greenbelt Neighborhood Improvement Team, I would like to thank everyone who made Springhill Lake's Fall Fest a huge success. Your time, energy and enthusiasm made this a very special event. We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you. This truly was an outreach of the community to the community. Thanks again!

Renee Landen, Team Leader  
Greenbelt Neighborhood Improvement Team

### Support Group Meets

The National Alliance of the Mentally Ill, Prince George's County, will hold a free support group meeting December 6 at 7 p.m. at the Bowie YMCA, 3501 Moylan Drive. The support group is for family and friends who deal with mental illness. For information call 301-577-6026.

### Genealogy Society Meets in Library

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will feature Kurt W. Wolfgang, JD, speaking on "Copyright Laws—Effects on Genealogy" from 7 to 9 p.m., Wednesday, December 6, at the Greenbelt Library. Park in the rear and use the basement level entrance. A brief business meeting will be held to update attendees on upcoming society activities, followed by a short refreshment break, then the speaker for the evening. Guests are always welcome. For further information, call 301-262-2063 (Wednesday only).

### Community College Opens New Site

Prince George's Community College will host a grand opening of its new degree center at the Prince George's Metro Center in Hyattsville on Tuesday, December 5, 6 to 8 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

### The Old Curmudgeon



"I sentence you to four years of the U.S. Presidency...!"



L to R: Junior Miss Greenbelt Emily Ivy, Miss Greenbelt Joanna Andrus, and Little Miss Greenbelt Kimberly Carey at Beltway Plaza with box for Toy Drive.

### Toy Drive Includes Many Local Donors

by Judith Ransom Bell

The Lions Club, in conjunction with Beltway Plaza Management and Merchants, began gearing up for their ninth annual Toy Drive with a rousing parade on November 18 outside Beltway Plaza Mall. Participants in the parade included Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Greenbelt, the Bladensburg High School marching band, Northwestern High School cheerleaders, Rollingcrest Community Center cheerleaders, a gymwheel, acrobats, unicyclists and jugglers from the Oakview Exhibitional Activities Club, McGruff, Baysox Louie, the Orioles Bird and the Redskinettes.

Currently the Lions Club is working with five churches, six hospitals, the Prince George's County Board of Education, and

various other groups such as the American Legion to distribute toys to needy children. Toys are distributed to individuals as well. The only information needed is the age and gender of the child; no names are necessary. The Lions Club will distribute up to Christmas Eve.

Donations may be placed in the red and green wooden boxes located at Beltway Plaza Center Mall, Greenbriar Community Building in Suite 101—lower level, the Co-op Supermarket, the Youth Center, the Aquatic and Fitness Center, and the Community Center. The toys must be new. No used toys or stuffed animals can be accepted.

For more information call Joe Wilkinson at 301-474-6893.

### New Year Committee Needs Volunteers

The Greenbelt New Year 2001 Committee is busy working on this year's celebration. Plans are coming together fast for another great event. Volunteers are still needed to assist in the different venues — there

are a variety of positions available. The next committee meeting is Monday, December 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

Come out and be a part of ringing in 2001!

### HELP RELIEVE BLOOD SHORTAGE

## BLOOD DRIVE

Greenbelt Recreation Department

Monday, December 4, 2 pm - 8 pm

Location: Greenbelt Community Center  
15 Crescent Road

For more information or to \*schedule an appointment, call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212

25% of all blood products are used with cancer patients

\*It is recommended that you make an appointment

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

## Old Greenbelt Theatre FREE MOVIE!

Each Saturday at 3 PM!

This Saturday: "Endangered Species"

At-risk Bald Eagles and youth on the Anacostia River

Members of the Earth Conservation Corps will be on hand.

Film info at:

[www.bernardoproductions.com](http://www.bernardoproductions.com)



## Santa to Arrive At Festival of Lights

The Festival of Lights begins Friday evening, December 1 at 7 p.m. in front of the Municipal Building where Greenbelters are invited to take part in the annual tree-lighting ceremony. Music, light refreshments, and a visit from Santa are included.

### Pancake Breakfast

On Saturday, Dec. 2 from 7 a.m. to noon people can meet Santa at an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast at the Greenbelt Fire Hall. There is a fee.

### Craft Show

The Annual Holiday Craft Show and Sale will take place Saturday, December 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, December 3 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Community Center. Children ages preschool and up are invited to drop by the children's craft room on Saturday to complete several free make-and-take projects while parents are shopping. The children's craft room will be open between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Artisans from many parts of Maryland and from as far away as Rhode Island will be offering their own original wares. There is a wide variety of items to choose from including drawings, traditional Chinese watercolors, oil paintings, jewelry, hand crafted holiday cards, decorations and more. Non-profit groups such as the Adult Care Center in Greenbelt, the United Methodist Church, Girl Scout Troop 1161, the Greenbelt Museum and the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts as well as youth under 16 years of age will be selling various food items and crafts.

### Studio Tours

An Artful Afternoon, a tour of the studios in the Community Center, will be held from noon to 5 on December 3. All are welcome to this free tour.

### Spaghetti Dinner

The youth of Greenbelt Community Church have planned an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner for Sunday, December 3, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Greenbelt Community Church. There is a fee.

### Carols

At 7:30 p.m. a free carol concert by Greenbelt Combined Choirs is open to all. At Greenbelt Community Church.

### Santa Calls

Parents who would like a child (preschool through second grade) to speak with Santa over the phone this season need to stop by the Youth Center to fill out a North Pole calling form, and then drop it in the special mailbox located outside the Recreation Department business office. Children will be contacted by Santa December 5 to 7, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Forms must be turned in by December 4.

### Santa Visit

On December 9, Santa will be at the Youth Center beginning at 9 a.m. For photo opportunities with children, bring a VHS tape and the event will be recorded.

### Kids Workshop

Also on December 9, for a fee, parents can drop off their children at the Youth Center for a Wacky Winter Workshop. This will give the parents 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to shop.

## Writers' Party

The Greenbelt Writers Group will have its holiday party on Dec. 8 at Royal Jade Restaurant. For reservations call Mary Moien at 301-474-4713.

# Community Events

## Al-Anon Meeting

The Greenbelt Friday Night Al-Anon meeting has changed its meeting time to 8 p.m. The meeting place is the second floor of the Mowatt United Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road.

## Support Group Meets

The caregiver support group of the Greenbelt Adult Care Center will meet on Tuesday, December 5, 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Adult Care Center in the Community Center. Dr. Greg Compton, geriatric physician, will answer any questions that family members might have. Caregivers learn from each other coping strategies, how to handle difficult behaviors, resources available in the community, and most importantly that it is okay to accept help. The event is free and open to the community. Light refreshments will be served. Call Beverly Long for more information at 301-507-6590.

Those who are unable to come to the support group but wish to discuss any caregiving issue should call the center for guidance.

## Legion Post to Honor Pearl Harbor Vets

Pearl Harbor survivor Hugh Roper will address statewide American Legion members and area citizens attending the Legion's fall 2000 National Security-Foreign Relations Educational Forum on "Pearl Harbor Day," Thursday, December 7, at the Greenbelt American Legion. Opening ceremonies, including the posting of colors, will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. Pearl Harbor survivors and their ladies will be recognized as a part of this special tribute in honor of their World War II Service. At 6 p.m. preceding the formal opening ceremony, a "get acquainted" reception and dinner will be held.

Immediately following the program honoring Pearl Harbor survivors, a tribute to G. Michael Schlee will take place. Schlee is director of the National Security-Foreign Relations Commission of The American Legion and has contributed more than 1000 hours of voluntary service.

Attendance is open to the public. Ample parking is available on Post property.

## At the Library

### Children's Programs

Tuesday, December 5, 7 p.m. Cliffhangers. Ages 5-8.

Thursday, December 7, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime. Ages 3-5.

11:15 a.m. Toddler Time. Two-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

### Adult Programs

Saturday, December 9, 10:30 a.m. Poetry Plus.

In the display case for December are works from the Greenbelt Association for Visual Arts.

## Poetry Group Meets At Greenbelt Library

The Poetry Plus discussion group will meet on Saturday, December 9, 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Greenbelt Library to talk about sonnets. The group is open to all who enjoy poetry. Those interested may bring sonnets to be copied for the group to read.

## Movie of the Month Is "Christmas Story"

by Martha Kaufman

The December Movie of the Month will be shown on Monday, December 11, at 1 p.m. in the senior classroom in the Community Center.

"A Christmas Story" with Darren McGavin and Melinda Dillon is humorist Jean Shepherd's memoir of growing up in the 1940s in Indiana. The film has an interesting period flavor based on the slogan, "In God We Trust, All Others Pay Cash."

## MS Program to Be at Community Center

On Saturday, December 9, from noon to 1 p.m., the National Capital Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will hold an Education Night on "MS in the New Millennium," featuring guest speaker Joan Ohayon, RN, MSN, CRNP, research nurse practitioner at the National Institutes of Health. Ohayon will discuss current MS therapy, recent discoveries and possibilities for future MS treatment.

The conference is free and open to the public and will be held at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. The site is fully accessible. Call the National Capital Chapter at 202-296-9891 to register.

## Home & Garden Club Meeting Is Cancelled

The December 5 meeting of the Greenbelt Home and Garden Club is cancelled. Members will receive notice of the January meeting.

## A Cappella Fun

The NASA-based Chromatics will perform on December 2 at 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Arts Center. Featured are a cappella versions of pop favorites and astronomically correct originals that will educate and entertain.

## Give Christmas Help For Local Families

Help local families in need this holiday season. The Greenbelt Community Center has set up a Holiday Giving Tree to collect new unwrapped toys, clothes, and food donations to help needy Greenbelt families have an enjoyable holiday season. Donations may be dropped off at the Community Center business office by noon, Friday, December 22. For further information call Jen at 301-397-2208.

## Another Free Movie At Greenbelt Theatre

In continuing the Greenbelt Theatre's recent free Saturday screenings, "Endangered Species," a moving documentary made in Washington, D.C. will be the featured film this Saturday at 3 p.m. at the theater. According to local film producer Jorge Bernardo, this film "received, without question, the biggest applause at the recent Filmathon fundraising event."

Filmed over a six-year period, the film traces a painful yet inspirational journey of young men and women mostly from public housing communities in Southeast D.C. They join together to form the

## Greenbelt East Tree Lighting

Greenbriar will host the Greenbelt East Tree Lighting on Sunday, December 10 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building. Festive songs of the season will be performed and a reception in the Terrace Room will follow the lighting of the tree. Everyone is welcome.

## Blood Drive Repeated For Those Who Waited


The Greenbelt Recreation Department and the American Red Cross are conducting a special blood drive on Monday, December 4, at the Greenbelt Community Center from 2 to 8 p.m. This special drive is to accommodate those people who were not served at the last blood drive on November 6 because of the long wait. Also the Red Cross reports urgent need for blood during the coming holiday season. It is hoped that the upcoming blood drive will play its part in relieving the shortage.

Call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 to make an appointment to reduce the waiting time.

Earth Conservation Corps to clean up the polluted Anacostia River and return the Bald Eagle to its historic nesting home in the Nation's Capital. It is not clear, however, whose lives are in danger; the eagles' or the young people's.

Director Robert Nixon is a five-time Emmy Award winner and Academy Award nominee. Members of the Earth Conservation Corps, the environmental organization featured in the film, will be present to answer questions following the screening.

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**WEEK OF December 1**

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## KIDS NIGHT OUT OFFERED BY HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

Children ages 3 to 10 are invited to Holy Cross Lutheran Church at 6905 Greenbelt Road in Greenbelt, Maryland, on Friday, December 8, to participate in an exciting evening of supervised activities.

From 6 to 10 P.M., the children will receive dinner, make Christmas crafts, enjoy games and watch a Christmas video.

It provides their parents an opportunity to do some Holiday shopping.

The program is free of charge but pre-registration is required.

Please call Lorraine Hiatt, Publicity Chairman, at 301-474-8781 for more information or to register.

Space is limited.

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an a cappella celebration  
the featuring

**CHROMATICS**

Saturday, December 2  
8:00 pm

Greenbelt Arts Center  
123 Centerway  
Info: 301-441-8770

**TICKETS:**  
\$10 per person  
\$8 for seniors & students



## OBITUARIES

### Sidney J. Brown Dies

Sidney J. Brown, owner and developer of the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center died on November 26, 2000. He resided in Potomac with his wife Leah.

Although inactive in recent years, Brown closely followed the operation and development of the Beltway Plaza which began construction in 1962. Brown developed and owned other commercial centers in other parts of the country including the Gold Coast Mall in Ocean City. With the Beltway Plaza, Brown had a continuing struggle to make the center a viable regional mall. It was long billed as "coming soon, the first enclosed mall," but began as a small strip mall anchored by A&P Food Store and Drug Fair. In 1962, with two other regional malls proposed in Greenbelt, Brown beat out the competition by constructing the giant S. Klein Department Store, a discount store out of New York City. It opened in 1963. While the store drew much business, it prevented Brown from attracting other major tenants who did not want to compete with the store's low prices. Finally an enclosed mall was built and opened in 1971 without a second major tenant. In 1975 S. Klein closed its Greenbelt store, leaving the building vacant for many years. The other 53 Beltway Plaza merchants suffered for lack of a major tenant, and Brown took over the operation of some stores in order to keep up the appearance of a successful mall. Gradually, after subdividing the Klein store building into smaller stores, new business was attracted to the mall. The last major addition to the mall in 1993 replaced part of the original strip mall to accommodate a super-sized Giant Food Market. Just this year, a portion of the Klein building was modified and expanded in order to accommodate a Target department store.

In all the time that Brown worked on developing the Plaza, he was frequently in conflict with the Greenbelt City Council and

### Gerald Soffen

NASA scientist Dr. Gerald Soffen, who led the Viking science team that performed the first experiments on the surface of the planet Mars and a guiding force in NASA's effort to search for life in the universe, died November 22, 2000 at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, DC. He was 74.

Soffen was the director of the University Programs Office at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, a post he has held since 1990. For the past 10 years he directed activities and programs designed to maintain and broaden the Center's interaction with the university community. Soffen joined the Goddard Space Flight Center in 1983 where he helped to establish the Mission to Planet Earth program and served as the Project Scientist for the Earth Observing system at its beginning. He worked for NASA for over 30 years.

others over plans for his development and hillside erosion next to the Klein building. The council sought upper scale tenants and rejected Brown's grandiose but never accomplished plans for extensive further development. Brown was noted for his strongly worded letters to the council and others complaining about their actions against his objectives.

Besides his wife, Brown is survived by four children and six grandchildren. His first wife, Sarah, and a daughter predeceased him. Services were held at Beth Shalom Congregation in Potomac on November 27 with burial at Mount Lebanon Cemetery in Adelphi. Expressions of sympathy may be made as donations to the Beth Shalom Congregation.

### Combined Choir Sings Christmas Carols

The Greenbelt Combined Choir will give its annual Christmas concert Sunday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Church.

This year's program includes the familiar "I Saw Three Ships" with bell ringers accompanying the choir and a medley, "Carols Old but New." Doug Love will play the zither and sing "Hail, Hail the Beautiful Morn." Virginia Williams and Jean Cook will sing a duet, "A Special Night" and Louise Piper will also be a featured soloist.

The congregation will be invited to join in some of the old favorite carols.

Jean Cook is conducting the Combined Choir for the 27th season. Mary Shipley is piano accompanist.

### Become a Host Family

Each year, Academic Year in America (AYA) enables more than 1,000 students, ages 15 to 18 1/2, to come to the U.S. from countries such as Brazil, France, Japan and Germany. Many of these students have dreamed of coming to the U.S. since they were young children and saw their first American movie. They dream of playing on a high school sports team and making academic achievements; of becoming a good host "son" or "daughter" and learning new customs.

AYA students have at least three years of English instruction, full medical insurance and their own spending money. The only things a Greenbelt host family needs to provide are a place to sleep and study and two meals a day. Most importantly, Greenbelt hosts must include the student in family activities and treat them like a son or a daughter.

To become a host family, call Danielle Carpino at 1-800-322-4678, ext. 5164 or email dcarpino@aifs.com or visit AYA online at [www.academicyear.org](http://www.academicyear.org).



Greenbelters Dr. Janet Kuhn and Seymour Zucker are Disaster Action Team members at the Prince George's County Red Cross. The couple drives the chapter's Emergency Response Vehicle to local and national disasters to provide emergency food and shelter supplies to victims of disasters. They were "on alert" for activation to Hurricane Debby. Also on the team is Greenbelt Mark Landomirak.

### Unique Decorating Ideas at Arboretum

Sparkling evergreen and deciduous trees take wing with unique decorating ideas for the holidays in the lobby of the U.S. National Arboretum's administration building. The show will happen from December 1 through

31 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.



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### MASS SCHEDULE:

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**Saturday 5 p.m.**

Daily Mass: As announced

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Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor

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### Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Municipal Building  
10 A.M.

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Multimedia Remembrance  
in Honor of the  
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Saturday December 10 at 8PM  
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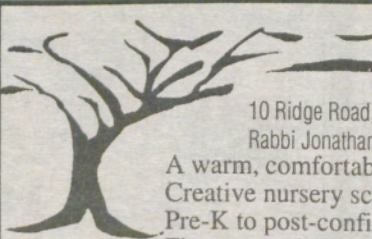
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-- No donations accepted --  
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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

301-474-9410

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Worship Service 11:00 am

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101 GREENHILL ROAD

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Sun. Worship

8:35 am, 11:00 am, 6:00 pm

Wed. Praise and Prayer

7:00 pm

Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event

7:00 pm

"Building Bridges to the Family of God thru the Love of Christ"





## ASSISTED LIVING

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never be identified, as they are too proud to ask for help.

Task force member Leonie Penney responded that because assistance in living would be a paid service, not charity, pride would not be an issue. Penney said that to provide assistance-in-living services, the city would work with an existing agency that is familiar with the types of services available. Although a senior can make use of these agencies now, the cost is high. By pooling needs, the city would reduce the impact of agency overhead costs, she said.

Task force member Betty Timer said that the county Department of Aging has a good system for social workers to assess a senior's needs. However, the individual then has to figure out how to get those services. The department, Timer said, has very few social workers to help people explore their options. "We need something better for Greenbelt," she said.

Putens said that the need for this type of service is so critical that the city should move as quickly as possible to get an identifiable base of what needs to be done. Councilmember Alan Turnbull disputed Putens' comment that an assisted living facility is not in the cards. However, he agreed that assistance-in-living is a more practical starting point that would give the city some experience in dealing with senior housing issues.

The development of new assisted living facilities in the area, Turnbull said, does not mean that Greenbelt does not need one. People want to stay in the community and don't want to run out of money before they run out of years, he said. The way to get there, he said, is having the staff capacity to do this kind of social work.

Alex Barnes, Task Force co-

chair, pointed out that the task force came into existence as a result of a city election questionnaire identifying a need for assisted living facilities, not assistance-in-living services. He urged council to continue to work toward an actual assisted living facility.

Councilmember Thomas White praised the report and called its recommendations straightforward. "Unfortunately, both have price tags," he said. The interim recommendation was not given much attention during the last budget review, he said because it was not timely and because the city's budget picture was "not pleasant." The next cycle may not be any more pleasant, he noted.

While supporting the task force's work, White pointed out that the needs to be addressed are those of individuals. There is still a question, he said, of whether the city is the appropriate fulfiller of those needs. It would be an expansion of "Greenbelt's current panoply of services," if the city were to provide these services, they would be subject to the same scrutiny as any other service supported by taxpayers but benefitting specific individuals.

Penney noted that Haseley already provides some referral services. With a community resource advocate, he argued, the city would simply be providing referrals.

Putens said that there are already residents in need of these services. People in Greenbelt do not want to leave, he said, and while this would cost money, it would also improve the quality of life of citizens.



## DECISION

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that higher temperatures are more uncomfortable and more dangerous than lower ones. "I am 79-years-old, have arthritis in my hand and shoulder and I'm recovering from surgery, but 85 degrees is too warm for me to exercise," Geller said that warm water temperatures hinder the body's ability to cool itself down while exercising and that air hotter than the water is very uncomfortable. Geller recommended wet suits for those who find the water too cold.

Rogala, center supervisor, responded by explaining "wet wraps," which are like wet suits, but less bulky and less expensive at \$50 for a top and \$80 for a full suit. He said that water exercise classes in Fairfax, VA, regularly use "wet wraps" and that if enough pool users expressed interest, he could buy them in bulk and be able to offer a 10 percent discount.

### Motion Passes

When debate over pool and air temperature was closed, a motion was passed to follow staff recommendation that the pool temperature be set at 83 degrees and air temperature remain at two to five degrees above water temperature. Mayor Judith Davis said that the survey suggestion would be sent to PRAB.

Councilmember Edward

Putens said that, although everyone's ideal temperature cannot be accommodated, it seems that most people are OK with 83 degrees and can live with it.

"I'm not confident — in fact, I'm 100 percent sure — that we'll never fully resolve the temperature issue," Putens said. "We might have to take it to a federal court recount committee."

Citizens also complained about mildew, rust, a broken stall and broken hooks in the ladies' locker room at the center. Rogala said that the hooks and stall would be repaired within the next two weeks and that he would address the mildew issue with the new cleaning staff. He said that lockers would not be replaced anytime soon, because there are many in good condition.

### New Year

In other business, council approved plans for the New Year's Eve 2001 celebration, including a rough draft of the "passport" listing the various activities and sites to be used throughout the celebration. Council also passed a motion to authorize between \$4,000 and \$4,500 for passports, stamps for each event, trees to be planted in different sections of Greenbelt, publicity and the grand prize, a weekend trip for two to Berkeley Springs, West Virginia.

## POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Strong-Arm Robbery

Beltway Plaza Mall, Nov. 17, 9:30 p.m., two 19-year-old male nonresidents were arrested and charged with strong-arm robbery and theft. The victim was jumped by several people inside the mall and was punched, kicked several times and robbed of his watch, car keys, and cellular telephone. Two of the robbers were apprehended a short time later and were positively identified by the victim. Both were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Assault

Willy K's Restaurant, Nov. 17, 12:27 a.m., a 19-year-old male resident was charged with three counts of assault and disorderly conduct and a 20-year-old male nonresident and a 24-year-old male nonresident were charged with assault, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest. The three were involved in a fight in the parking lot. All were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Burglary and Theft

7800 block of Walker Drive, Nov. 19, 11:07 a.m., a cash register was reported stolen from a deli.

6200 block of Breezewood Drive, Nov. 20, 2:35 a.m. a stereo/CD player, a Play Station, and CDs were reported stolen. Entry was gained through a sliding window that had been forced from its tracks and opened.

9100 block of Edmonston Court, Nov. 20, 4:34 p.m., a VCR and jewelry were reported stolen. Entry was gained by breaking a bedroom window.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Nov. 21, 10 a.m., a student reported that his Eddie Bauer winter coat was stolen from his locker.

### Trespassing

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Nov. 18, a 24-year-old male nonresident and a 26-year-old male nonresident were arrested and charged with trespassing after they refused to pay admission to a football game and refused to leave the property. Both were released on citation pending trial.

### Vehicle Crimes

A gray four-door 1997 Honda Accord with Maryland tags ELZ 891 was reported stolen Nov. 21 from the 6400 block of Ivy Lane.

Vandalisms to and thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, Beltway Plaza Mall, 6400 block of Capitol Drive, 7900 block of Vanity Fair Drive, Greenway Center, 7800 block of Mandan Road, and 7600 block of Hanover Parkway.

### Flamenco Concert

Concert performances showcasing all aspects of the Flamenco art form of Andalusia, Spain, will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 8 p.m. in the Ulrich Recital Hall, Tawes Fine Arts Building at the University of Maryland, College Park. The program is free. It will begin with solo guitar by Gerard Moreno and include Flamenco cante (singing) and baile (dance). For more information, call 301-405-7847.

## Murder Trial Ends In Guilty Verdict

Fifteen months after baby Victoria (Tori) Rose Dobbin suffered massive head injuries, her assailant was convicted of murder.

William English, 22, of Laurel was found guilty on Sept. 18, of second-degree murder, first-degree manslaughter and second-degree assault.

The jury verdict, following a seven-day trial at Howard County's Circuit Court, capped 11 hours of deliberations. Bond was revoked and on Nov. 9, English received a 20 year sentence.

Eight-month-old Tori, the third and fourth generation of two Greenbelt families, was the daughter of Sherri Rippeon and John Dobbin, Jr.

And on June 2, 1999, Tori was injured at the home of her babysitter. The sitter's boyfriend was charged when the baby died after 16 days on life-support following brain surgery at Children's Hospital.

## UM Brass Quintet Plays Holiday Music

The Prism Brass Quintet will present a free contemporary, traditional and holiday brass concert on Thursday, December 7 at 7 p.m. in the Maryland University Memorial Chapel. For more information, call 301-484-9100.

### Channel B-10 Schedule Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV

#### MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000

#### Tuesday & Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>

2 & 6 pm "Perils for Pedestrians"  
2:30 & 6:30pm "Bridges to Bliss"  
3 & 7 pm "The Audrey Scott Show"  
3:30 & 7:30pm "Festival of Lights Opening"

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#### Wednesday & Friday Call for Schedule.



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**MONDAY - December 4, 2000 7:15 p.m.**

**SATURDAY - December 16, 2000 11:00 a.m.**

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## ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD

**December 6, 2000  
Theatre Rehearsal Room**

### Meeting Agenda

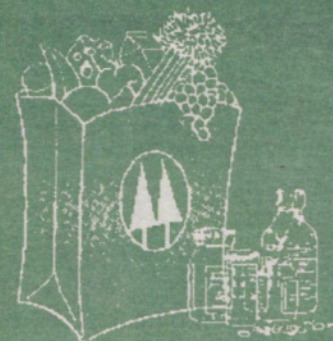
- I. Approve Agenda
- II. Detailed Site Plan —  
Residence Inn at Golden Triangle
- III. Preliminary Plat of  
Subdivision — A.H.  
Smith Property
- IV. Trails Map — Review  
Revised Map
- V. Schedule Next Meeting
- IV. Adjourn

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## VOLUNTEERS

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pocket expenses. For many years, the paper operated from offices in the basement of Parkway Apartments.

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An important development in the history of the newspaper was the decision to deliver the Cooperator free of charge to every home in town, beginning with the issue of September 7, 1939. The policy of free distribution remained unchanged except for an unsuccessful effort to go to a subscription basis in 1953. Successive boards of directors have considered that the most important thing is to get the paper to each household in the city.

### As We Are

Although some readers may recall when the News Review had only two pages, the standard size today is 12 or 16 and may be as large as 28 pages. The deciding factor each week is the number of inches of advertising, which determines the number of pages that can be paid for.

At present 11,000 free copies of the News Review are distributed weekly to homes in Greenbelt, including Springhill Lake, Greenbriar, Greenbrook, Greenwood Village, Windsor Green, Greenspring, Hunting Ridge, Belle Point, the Lakes of Greenbelt Village, and to Greenbelt office buildings and shopping centers.

### New Look

In 1995 the paper joined the '90s when it moved to a cold type — computerized process at Chesapeake Publishing Company in Beltsville. This change enabled us to return to the longer page which allows more space for stories and larger photos. We added green ink. The paper looks good, our readers tell us.

### Staff

There have been 39 changes in editorship during the paper's 63 years. For the last 28 years, the position has been held by Mary Lou Williamson. There are now 75 staff members, most of whom have joined the paper as their contribution to their community. Some, like Williamson, have been volunteering with the paper for well over 30 years.

An innovation begun 19 years ago, augmenting the staff through an agreement with the Departments of English and Journalism of the University of Maryland to accept placement of student interns, is being continued to the News Review's advantage. Students have participated in the regular work of writing and editing copy for this paper. The program is sponsored by the Alfred M. Skolnik Memorial Fund. This fund also provides for a yearly \$100 Savings Bond to be awarded to an outstanding Eleanor Roosevelt High School graduate who lives in Greenbelt and is interested in the field of writing.

As the paper enters its 64th year, it remains primarily a volunteer effort — news put out every week without fail by neighbors for neighbors, from the editor to young carriers delivering the paper. Unchanged is the fact that contributions of time and effort are always needed from Greenbelters to assure the paper

## City Notes

The streets crew supervised the contractors doing street reconstruction on Woodland Way and Springhill Lane, continued road repairs on sections of Lakeside Drive and hauled used black top to the recycling facility.

The horticulture crew repaired the irrigation line at Roosevelt Center and removed a fallen tree on Lakeside Drive and recycled the wood into firewood for residents.

The parks crew corrected an erosion problem at the entrance to Schrom Hills Park and replaced the rotted wood on the obstacle course at the park. The crew also spread fiber material in the playgrounds at 44 Court Ridge and the Community Center.

The facility maintenance crew began installation of the lights on Braden Field and continued working on subdividing the Evidence Room at the police station.

## University Chorale Christmas Concert

The University Chorale, conducted by Edward Maclary, will give a free concert on Tuesday, December 5 at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel at the University of Maryland, College Park. Featured works include the challenging "Psalm 90," one of Charles Ives' greatest vocal works, and selections with solo harp from "Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten. Highlights include Renaissance singing from the University Chamber Singers. For more information, call 301-405-5571.



continues to serve the community. The current special need is for volunteers willing to visit local merchants to sell them on the importance as well as the benefits of putting advertising in our community paper.

## Addendum

# Principals Meet with ACE

by Nelda Young

In the November 16 issue a page was dropped from the ACE Principals story which appeared on page 1. Those parts of the article that were mixed up or omitted are reprinted below.

When the local school principals met with the Advisory Committee on Education on November 6, they shared their successes and concerns.

### Paired with U of M

Linda Sherwood, principal of Springhill Lake Elementary School, told about her school's receipt of three grants, an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) homework plan, and the school's professional development center with University of Maryland student teachers. (Their students are not in the expeditionary learning program, and they are not making quilts, as stated in the earlier story.)

Having served 30 years in the system, Sherwood is retiring in January. However, she hopes the school board will rehire her so she can continue to fight for the success of the students at the school.

### Seeks ESOL Tutors

The principal at Magnolia Elementary School, Phyllis Gillens, spoke with enthusiasm of the school's progress. The staff have received two technology grants and hope to be fully wired for the internet by September 2001. Once a week mentors come from Goddard Space Flight Center to help the fourth, fifth, and sixth graders with math. In addition, an activity bus is available so parents know their children will come home safely from the afterschool programs.

The school needs tutors, Gillens said, particularly in the ESOL Program where there are many Spanish speakers. Non-English speaking parents can't help their children with homework, she said.

### Needs Tech Support

Kathy Curl, principal of

Greenbelt Elementary, said David Lange is the "light of my life." He has taken the school on as a project and organized their volunteer program and helped in many other ways. The school has a strong reading, writing, and math program and has received many grants.

Beth Novick, faculty sponsor of the expeditionary learning program (outward bound) at the Ridge Road school, told the

group about their activities. It is a hands-on-program that has chosen the topic "U.S. multicultural which is what makes us strong."

So far, they have created 24 paper quilts which depict diversity from a kid's perspective. In the spring they will stitch 24 quilts from cloth and then hold a multicultural dinner.

Greenbelt Middle, also an expeditionary learning school, will have students making quilts as well. Their theme is "Are we there yet?" At the end of the year they will host a culture fair.



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## Attention GHI Members

**Volunteers are being sought to serve on the recently formed Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee**

The committee's task will be to consider possible changes to the bylaws relating to voting procedures, and to explore whether GHI can establish a guest house under the current document or whether language needs to be developed that would accommodate such a venture.

Members wishing to serve on this committee may contact Kathy Hurtt in the Member Services Office at 301-474-4161 ext. 140 by December 20.



## NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS GUTTER CLEANING SCHEDULE

The gutter cleaning schedule for GHI homes during the week of December 4 to December 8 is as follows:

### Frame Homes

Court Numbers: 2,4,6,8,10,12 Plateau Place

Court Numbers: 36,38,42,44,46,48,49,50,51,52,53,54

Ridge Road

### Masonry Homes

Court Numbers: 9,11,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,21,23

Ridge Road

Court Numbers: 1,2,4 Southway Road

Court Number: 1 Westway Road





19 county heroes celebrate with event sponsors, board members, friends and family at Prince George's County Red Cross Real Heroes Breakfast 2000 held at BET Soundstage on November 8. German Shepherd Otto, front row center, was

awarded for his search and rescue efforts locally and worldwide. Mayor Judith Davis, who presented awards and Janet Goldberg, hero, are in the picture.

## A Greenbelt Gardener

by Rosie Rhubarb

It is the end of autumn and the garden is winding down for the year. All but a few trees have lost their leaves. The few bits of green or colored leaves stand out in the increasingly bare landscape.

Foresighted gardeners put in a plant or two that stays green or colored or blooms into the late autumn, for now is when such a plant stands out. Between the Co-op supermarket and the dry cleaners, the cherry trees still bloom. This variety ("Autumnalis") will bloom off and on during the cooler months.

The sedum plants (variety "Autumn Joy") next to the Community Center have flowers that stay colored even as they stop blooming and dry out. Thus they provide color in the garden for weeks.

The last perennial flower in my neighborhood in bloom is physostegia virginiana, commonly known as obedient plant. The leaves and stalks are still green and a few purple flowers still remain. This is a plant native to our area. Hardy camillias are still in bloom near the Christmas tree by the Municipal Building and near the Youth Center.

### Autumn Clean Up Tasks

This is the time of year to trim the perennial flower stalks close to the ground; dump the soil out of the flower pots; pull up and store stakes; and throw out the annuals killed by the frost. The chores seem endless, but cleaning up in the late autumn means a neater looking yard during the winter.

Taking dead plants out of the garden beds means bugs and plant diseases are less likely to over winter in the yard. This decreases the chances of their attacking the plants next year.

We in Greenbelt are very fortunate because our yard debris can be picked up right out of our yards. Call Public Works for Friday pick up at 301-474-8004. Sticks should be in bags or tied in a bundle. Plant debris should be in a bag. Leaf pick up varies by neighborhood. In Greenbelt Homes leaves must be put in bags, but in other neighborhoods they are picked up at the curbside on appointed days.

### Leaves

Leaves can be very useful in the garden since they add nutrients to the soil as they decompose. Use fallen leaves to make soil or to use as mulch. Making compost turns the

leaves into high quality soil. Compost piles are easy to make and use. In fact putting leaves in a compost pile is a lot easier than bagging up the fallen leaves. Just rake the leaves onto a cloth or tarp and dump them in the pile. That is much easier than the bending and stuffing involved in bagging leaves for pick up.

Compost bins can be store bought or home made. The price and size varies, so get what you need. For example, a lot of leaves can be stuffed into a compost bin so a small bin is all that is needed for a small yard. Making a compost pile can be as simple as marking out a square, putting a post in each of the four corners, stretching the fencing materials around the posts, and tacking it onto the posts. Fencing material that is somewhat sturdier than chicken wire should last for years.

There are many variations on the theme of how to fill the compost bin. There are methods to speed up the decomposition process and change the acidity of the resulting product. The expert can read up on such things, here I'll stick to the simple method. Basically it is alternating layers of organic material and soil. Put in the leaves, then compress them. When there is an eight to 12 inch deep layer, add a one inch layer of soil.

This method will produce soil in 12 to 18 months. This is slower than some methods, but you do not have the bother of having to turn the pile.

Give some thought to where the compost bin or pile will be placed in the yard. The compost pile can definitely detract from the overall appearance of your property, just as trash cans or debris can. Once again it is the principle that what is furthest from the house is actually closest to the view of the people passing by. Any object that is big, bulky, or does not fit in over all with the rest of the landscape will be the most obvious object in the yard.

The bin will be much less obvious if it is next to another large object, such as a shed or house; is surrounded by tasteful fencing, or surrounded by plants, such as shrubs.

A well maintained compost pile should not smell. Vegetable peelings may smell in the hottest months if care is not taken. Animals and birds may be attracted to an open compost if table scraps are added, so keep this in mind when placing the pile.

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## Country Current Plays at BARC

The U.S. Navy Band will present Country Current, a bluegrass quartet, in the Department of Agriculture Building 003, 10300 Baltimore Avenue in Beltsville on Wednesday, December 6 at 1:30 p.m. The concert is free of charge. For more information, call 202-433-2525, or visit them on the Web at [www.navyband.navy.mil](http://www.navyband.navy.mil).

## Chamber Music At U. of Maryland

The Honors Chamber Music Concert will showcase the best of the University of Maryland School of Music's outstanding chamber music program. This concert will take place on Tuesday, December 3 in the Ulrich Recital Hall, in the Tawes Fine Arts Building. The concert is free.

This concert will feature graduate and undergraduate string, wind and piano students performing a review of master chamber works. For more information, call 301-405-7847.

## Big Band Music Featured at UM

Big band music will be featured in a concert by the UM Jazz Ensemble and the Monster Jazz Lab band. Also featured will be student compositions and arrangements. The free concert will be held Wednesday, December 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Stamp Student Union.



## Hear Renaissance Christmas Music

The area's newest vocal ensemble Voices XXI, makes its debut in a performance of Renaissance Christmas music on Saturday, December 9, 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Hyattsville. The Church, at 6201 Belcrest Road, is across from the Prince George's Plaza metro stop.

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**December 11-15: Lakeside**

**December 18-22: Woodland Hills**

**December 26-29: Boxwood**

\* Please rake leaves into a pile in the grassy space near the curb. DO NOT rake them into the street, it could create travel and parking hazards.

\* Put the pile of leaves where Public Works crews can easily vacuum them. Please avoid areas where there are parked cars or low hanging trees.

\* Please-LEAVES ONLY! No tree limbs, bricks, dirt rocks, etc. They will damage the equipment.

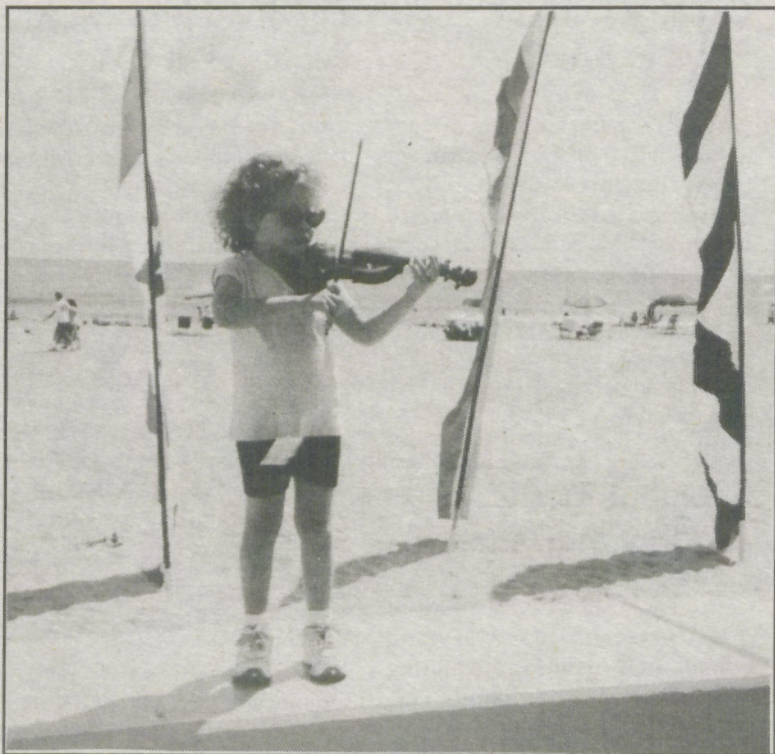
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**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM YOU MAY CALL 301-474-8004 OR VISIT [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us).**





Kelley Jo Wallace performs on the violin while standing on a wall at the boardwalk in Ocean City. At age 4, she is the youngest street performer to have played in Ocean City. Her city license is clipped to the front of her shirt.

- photo by Holley Wallace

### Humanities Council Provides Speakers

The Maryland Humanities Council is offering 31 outstanding humanities scholars to speak on various humanities topics to local nonprofit organizations. There is no fee involved.

Any nonprofit organization in Maryland which has the potential to attract an audience of at least 20 and to provide handicapped-accessible space is eligible. Speakers are available between November 1, 2000 and October 31, 2001, and each organization is entitled to one free speaker per year.

For more information, call 410-771-8974, send an email

### Holiday Lights Are At Watkins Park

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, announced the opening of the 14th Annual Festival of Lights at Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro.

This free drive-through display opened on Friday, November 24 and boasts more than 500,000 colored lights and numerous creative, animated and fixed displays.

A host of volunteers greet visitors at the entrance and provide information, accept canned goods for an area food bank, and collect donations that serve to fund next year's festival.

For further information, call the Festival Line at 301-699-2456 or the Public Affairs Office at 301-699-2407; TTY 301-699-2544; www.pgpc.com.

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### Local Child Prodigy Plays at Ocean City

Kelley Jo Wallace, age 4, met Itzhak Perlman backstage for the second time when he returned last month for a concert at the Kennedy Center. Kelley Jo is a big fan of the famed violinist. She, too, plays the violin, having begun lessons at the ripe old age of 1 1/2. Accompanying her to the Kennedy Center were her parents, Leonard and Holley Wallace of Maplewood Court.

In September, Kelley Jo took the first step in what might be a promising musical career by giving a public performance at, of all places, the Boardwalk in Ocean City. On a summer visit she had been impressed with other musicians who were playing along the boardwalk and decided she wanted to do it too. So, on a return visit, she and her parents went to Ocean City Hall and obtained a street performer's license — the youngest person to have obtained one.

Then on to the Boardwalk, where she played for the passersby. Her repertoire consisted primarily of variations of Mozart's most famous work — "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." Before each song she announced the piece, and afterward she took a bow. Apparently her performance was well received by passersby, who rewarded her in the customary way for street musicians, by leaving tips.

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**The Greenbelt Museum gift shop** has exclusive Greenbelt items for all on your gift list. Check us out. Held at the Greenbelt Craft Fair December 2 and 3 at the Community Center and at the Greenbelt Co-op December 9, 10, 16, 17 and 23 from 11 to 3 p.m.

**The Museum gift shop is open Sundays 1 to 5 p.m.,** located next to the Museum at 10B Crescent Road.

**SEARCHING FOR LOST BLACK CAT:** Kee Kee, an all-black neutered male cat, has disappeared from Research Road near the Agricultural Center gates in old Greenbelt. If you've seen him, please call the Gervasi family at 301-474-7680. Reward if found.

## YARD/MOVING SALES

**MOVING SALE** — Household of eight-year-old boy and mother. Shelves, more. 24K Ridge 301-345-6851.

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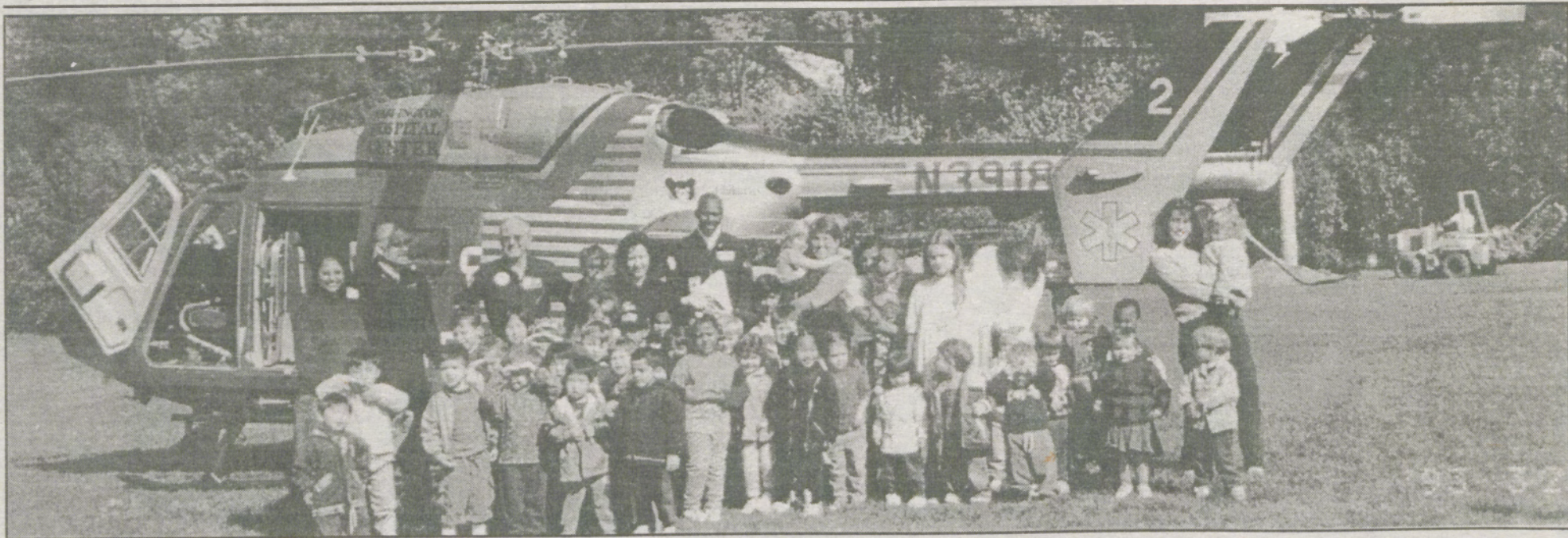
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Members of the MedSTAR flight team are joined by Greenbelt Nursery School students, staff, and parents behind the Greenbelt Youth Center on October 20.  
-photo by Sherri Nash

## MedSTAR Chopper Educates Kids

by Altoria Bell Ross

"It's a bird. No, it's a plane. No, it's a MedSTAR helicopter, and it's landing on the field behind the Youth Center." On October 20, Chet Nash of Beltsville, a former Greenbelt Nursery School parent and now a St. Hugh's parent, gave students of both schools a tour of the air ambulance.

Nash, who has been a flight paramedic for 12 years, guided children, including his 5-year-old daughter Samantha, into the chopper that serves Washington Hospital Center and the Children's National Medical Center. Allen Wolfe, a registered flight nurse of Arlington, VA, helped the pupils out of the aircraft. "There's always something different," said Wolfe, of the work he has done for the last 10 years. "You never know what you'll get."

This is because the helicopter personnel care for the ill and in-

jured within a 60-to-80 mile radius of the Washington metropolitan area and also occasionally travel farther, including trips to New York and North Carolina. Pilot Darryl Johnson of Kempton, MD said the helicopter normally transports its patients at 150 miles per hour but can fly as fast as 172 miles per hour. In any case, the youngsters were pleased that they could explore the vehicle on the ground.

As the helicopter prepared for take-off, the children and adults took cover near the tennis courts, and yelled, "Thank you." While the wind produced by the propellers forced the grass to bow down at rapid intervals, the helicopter lifted off. Then it circled back, sounding its siren, proving that it was definitely not a bird, nor a plane, but a flying rescue vehicle that had touched down in the lives of children one fall morning.

## Contact Lens Video Now Online

Consumers can now view an online video on how to properly insert or remove a contact lens. The Contact Lens Council (CLC) produced video offers step-by-step instructions that can be viewed from its website [www.contactlenscouncil.org](http://www.contactlenscouncil.org).

The three-minute video offers a demonstration of the proper way to insert and remove a contact lens, and tips on proper lens care. There are subtitles to help viewers follow along, as well as a fact sheet of detailed instructions that the viewer can print.

For more information on contact lenses, or to obtain a free list of CLC Fact Sheets, readers should call the Contact Lens Council (CLC) at 1-800-884-4CLC or visit the website.

## Our Neighbors

Congratulations to Barbara Drake, who recently celebrated her 90th birthday with family, friends, neighbors and fellow members of Greenbelt Baptist Church. She is one of the original founders of the church, a member of the "Young at Heart" group,



Barbara Drake

and had taught Sunday School and Bible School for many years. Barbara has two sons, Weldon, Jr., and Jim, and a daughter, Bonnie, and has six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Welcome to baby John Gerald Mische Commus, born October 10 to Monica Mische and Mark Commus of Southway. Weighing 9 lbs. 4 oz., he joins older sisters Rose, 5, and Patty, 3.

Larry Goldberg has added even more to his busy tutoring schedule. Already tutoring at Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Tuesdays and Saturdays, he now has taken on Monday and Friday tutoring at Duval High School.

Congratulations to Matt Green for winning first place in the Montgomery County Road Runners Club ten-mile Turkey Burn-off on Thanksgiving Day. Green ran ten miles in 55 minutes and 46 seconds.

## Court House Art Show Is Extended

The current exhibit at the Federal Court House featuring the work of 19 artists that live and work in Greenbelt has been extended until January 12. The exhibit is on view from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday at 6500 Cherrywood Lane.

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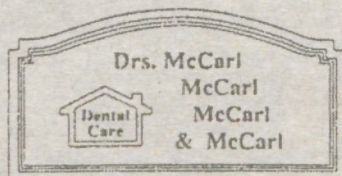
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